

QA-271  
Arrowhead Farm  
Chester vicinity  
Private

early 19th century

This 1 1/2 story frame house is located on part of a tract known historically as Upper Blunt's Point. Surveyed for Roger Baxter in 1650, the property remained in the Baxter family until 1807, when Vincent Baxter sold this part of the tract to James Hopkins. The house that stands today overlooking Cox Creek was probably built by Hopkins shortly after the purchase. Twentieth century renovations have hidden or removed much of the early fabric of the building, but hewn and pit sawn framing members and beaded board partitions suggest that a great deal of original material remains in place but is concealed by more recent coverings.

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Arrowhead Farm

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

West side Cox Neck Road

CITY, TOWN

Chester

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Queen Anne's

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

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Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

c/o Frederica Struse

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CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21403**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Queen Anne's County Courthouse

Liber #: CWC 113

Folio #: 563

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Arrowhead Farm is located on the west side of Cox Neck Road, approximately three miles south of U.S. Route 50/301. The house is situated on the east shore of Cox Creek, facing the marshes at the mouth of Warehouse Creek.

The house at Arrowhead Farm is of frame construction, 1 1/2 stories high, three bays wide, and one room deep, with a single flush brick chimney at the north end of the steeply pitched gable roof. It is 18 feet wide and 30 feet long. Probably dating to the early 19th century, the house was completely renovated and converted to a hunting lodge about 30 years ago.

The front facade faces northeast, toward the road. A one story enclosed porch has been added across this facade. The entrance is in the center bay, with one 6/6 window to the right. The left or south bay has been covered by a bathroom on the enclosed porch, but presumably there was a 6/6 window in the bay originally. There are two 6/6 pitched roof dormers on the second floor. The asbestos shingle siding and asphalt shingle roof are 20th century.

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## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.1 DESCRIPTION

On the southeast gable, there are two modern 6/6 windows on the first floor and one on the second floor. The foundation is stuccoed, the siding and rakeboards are modern.

A one story lean-to addition stretches across the entire rear or southwest facade, facing the water. There are two 6/6 dormer windows on the second floor and one large dormer to the south of center with paired 6/6 sash.

The only opening on the northwest gable is a 6/6 window on the first floor to the left of the flush brick chimney.

The interior is divided into two rooms on the first floor, a large unheated hall to the southeast and a smaller heated parlor to the northwest. The interior has also been completely renovated. The random width flooring is all original, but the walls are covered with pine paneling and fibre wall-board, the ceiling with acoustic tile. The stair is located in the northwest corner of the hall. It has been completely rebuilt but is probably in the original position, as there are no seams in the original second story flooring where an earlier stair was removed.

The second floor is divided into a center stair hall with flanking chambers. The front or northeast part

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.2 DESCRIPTION

of the hall is partitioned to form a small storage closet. All of the interior walls on the second floor are sheathed with pine paneling and wallboard, the ceilings with tile. The interior of the hall closet has been wallpapered several times, but not paneled. Original vertical beaded board partitions are visible under the wall paper, indicating that all of the interior walls on the second floor are original. One section of beaded baseboard also survives in the closet. There is no access to the roof or to the eaves.

The cellar appears to be a modern feature, and does not extend under the entire building. The foundation walls and chimney base are stuccoed over. The floor joists are hewn and pit sawn, laid parallel to the gable walls. The joist below the first floor partition is particularly heavy.

To the northwest of the house is an old cemetery in a grove of trees surrounded by a cornfield.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The early 1 1/2 story frame house on Arrowhead Farm appears to date to the early 19th century, but has been extensively renovated in the 20th century. Measuring 30 feet long and 18 feet deep, the first floor interior now consists of a hall and parlor plan, with the larger unheated hall to the south and a smaller heated parlor to the north. The location of the rebuilt stairway and the partitioned stair passage on the second story could be interpreted as evidence that the original plan included a center stair passage on the first story, but floor framing evidence fails to confirm this suggestion. Although little early fabric remains visible in the house, the hewn and pit sawn first floor joists and the beaded second floor partitions suggest that a great deal of original material remains in place but is concealed by more recent coverings.

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## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 8.1 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Arrowhead Farm is included within a larger tract known historically as Upper Blunt's Point. Originally surveyed in 1650 for Roger Baxter, the tract was resurveyed in 1746 and 1747 for William Baxter and remained in the Baxter family until 1807, when Vincent Baxter sold the property to James Hopkins. The house was probably constructed shortly thereafter. In 1848 part of the farm descended by James Hopkins' will to his grandson, William T. Quinn, and the farm came to be known as the William T. Quinn Farm.<sup>(1)</sup>

(1) Schoch, p. 15. Primary source references may be found on p. 88

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## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Schoch, Mildred C. Of History and Houses; A Kent Island Heritage. Queenstown, 1982.

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

### VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Orlando Ridout V, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Queen Anne's County Historical Society

DATE

1/25/84

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

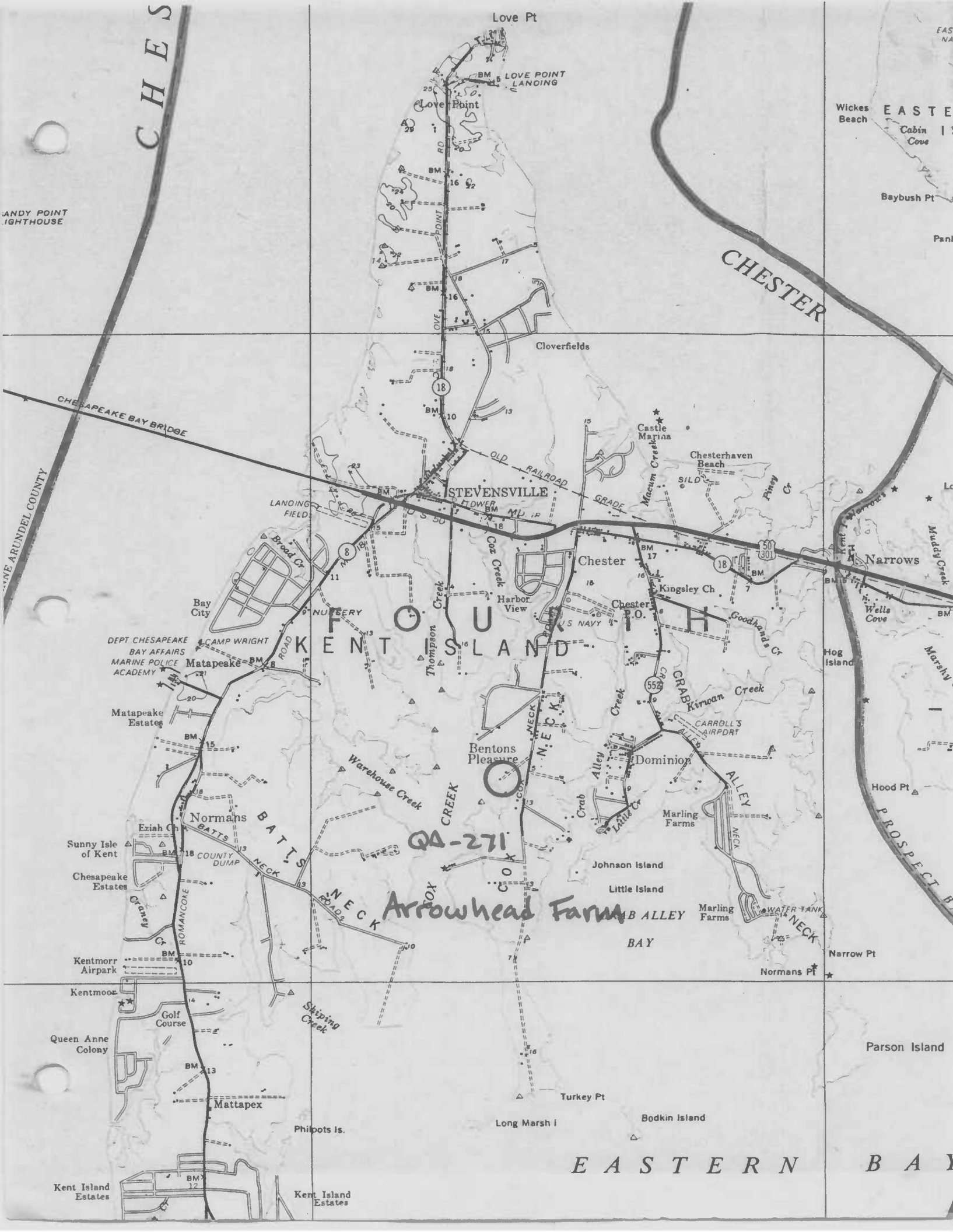
Field Notebook QA-XXI; Recorded November 15, 1980.

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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C H E S

Love Pt

BM LOVE POINT LANDING

Love Point

Wickes Beach

EASTERN BAY

Cabin Cove

Baybush Pt

Parson Island

CHESTER

Cloverfields

CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE

ARUNDEL COUNTY

STEVENSVILLE

Castle Marina

Chesterhaven Beach

SILD

Piney Cr

Narrows

Wells Cove

Hog Island

Hood Pt

PROSPECT BAY

DEPT CHESAPEAKE BAY AFFAIRS MARINE POLICE ACADEMY

CAMP WRIGHT

Matapeake

Matapeake Estates

Normans

Sunny Isle of Kent

Chesapeake Estates

Kentmorr Airpark

Kentmorr

Queen Anne Colony

Mattapex

Kent Island Estates

Kent Island Estates

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Arrowhead Farm

Johnaon Island

Little Island

BAY

Marling Farms

Marling Farms

Normans Pt

Parson Island

Turkey Pt

Long Marsh I

Bodkin Island

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B A Y



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Arrowhead Farm

Kent Island

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View from Northeast



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Arrowhead Farm

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View from Southwest